



MONTANA BOARD OF LIVESTOCK

MEETING AGENDA

Montana Department of Livestock Board Room #319/301 N Roberts/Helena, MT
December 14, 2022

(This meeting is open to the public and is also available by ZOOM)

Agenda items may vary as much as one hour earlier or later. Items may be added or deleted up to 48 hours prior to the meeting. Look for changes at www.liv.mt.gov

8:00 AM CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

8:10 AM BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

- October 26, 2022 BOL Meeting

8:15 AM OLD BUSINESS

Update on Governor's OGSM Strategic Management and Executive Officer Strategic Goals

9:15 AM NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of New Veterinarians

9:30 AM EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATES TO BOARD AND DISCUSSIONS

- Update – 2023 Legislative Process Update – Policy and Budget
 - Discuss Penalties and Fines for Livestock Violations
- Biennial Legislative Financial Audit
- Human Resources Updates
 - Statewide Recommendations on Employee Telework Options and Implementation
 - Staff Openings and Recruitment
 - Statewide Process for End-of-Year Evaluations
 - Proposed Statewide Employee Salary Increases
- Preparation for Executive Officer Evaluation
- IBMP Update

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11:00 PM Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

- Operational and Lab Staffing Update
- Out-of-State Travel Request

11:30 AM PREDATOR CONTROL

Update on Activities of USDA Wildlife Services (Presented by Dalin Tidwell, Montana State Director)

- General Updates

LLB Predation Claims Report and General Updates

12:00 PM LUNCH

1:00 PM ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY DIVISION REPORTS

1:00 PM Animal Health Bureau

- Request to Hire Compliance Technician
- Request to Purchase RFID Readers
- Out-of-State Travel Report – Carcass Management Tabletop, Las Cruces, NM
- Discussion of Brucellosis Testing Reimbursement Rate at Markets
- Out-of-Country Travel Report – National Pork Board – Poland, Belgium, Germany

2:00 PM Meat, Milk & Egg Inspection Bureau

- Hours of Operation Communication to Meat and Poultry Plants
- Request to Hire Two Positions
- Request to Contract an SRO for Milk Plant Ratings
- Rule Change Proposal to ARM 32.8.202

2:45 PM RECESS

3:00 PM BRANDS ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

Request to Hire

- District 4 Investigator (Carbon, Stillwater & Sweet Grass Counties)



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- District 14 Investigator (Cascade, Northern Lewis & Clark and Teton Counties)
- Livestock Inspector 1 – Billings

Travel Request for FY23

- Western States Livestock Rural Enforcement Association (WSLREA) Annual Conference

Brands Enforcement Update

3:30 PM CENTRALIZED SERVICES DIVISION REPORTS

3:30 PM Fiscal Bureau

- Request to Hire Accounting Technician Position
- November 30, 2022 State Special Revenue Report
- December 2022 Through June 2023 Expenditure Projections
- November 30, 2022 Budget Status Report

4:15 PM COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS/COMMENTS FROM PRODUCER ORGANIZATIONS

4:45 PM SET DATE FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

5:00 PM ADJOURN